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SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENTS BY CUBAN, PRG, NORTH KOREAN DELEGATES
TO WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

1. COMMENTS BY SUBJECT DELEGATES UPON ARRIVAL IN MEXICO
CITY TO ATTEND WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ON JUNE 16 FOLLOW

2. VILMA ESPIN DE CASTRO, PRESIDENT OF FEDERATION OF CUBAN
WOMEN TOLD REPORTERS AT AIRPORT: "THE NEW CORRELATION OF
FORCES WHICH EXISTS IN THE WORLD HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE...
FOR CUBA, THROUGH DETERMINATION, FIRMNESS, AND THE SOLIDARITY
OF PEOPLES, TO DEVELOP ITS REVOLUTION AT THE DOORSTEP OF THE
MOST POWERFUL AND CRUEL IMPERIALISM IN THE WORLD." SHE FURTHER
SAID: "...EVEN IN THE CAPITALIST COUNTRIES THERE ARE ORGANI-
ZATIONS WHICH ARE STRUGGLING IN A REVOLUTIONARY WAY AND DE-
SERVE ALL OUR SUPPORT. BUT ALSO IN THOSE SOCIETIES, THERE
IS CONFUSION WITH RESPECT TO THE FORM OF THE STRUGGLE TO
ACHIEVE THE EMANCIPATION OF THE WOMAN; SOMETIMES THIS IS CONFUSED
AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE WOMAN CAN BE LIBERATED WITHOUT THERE
BEING SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND POLITICAL CHANGES."

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3. THE DELEGATE OF SOUTH VIETNAM'S PROVISIONAL REVOLU-

TIONARY GOVERNMENT MADAM MA THI CHU, SAID ON ARRIVAL:
"ALL THE WOMEN OF THE WORLD SHOULD FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM,
COLONIALISM, AND NEOCOLONIALISM, WHICH ARE THE PRINCIPAL THREATS
TO NATIONAL RIGHTS AND THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN." SOUTH
VIETNAM'S STRUGGLE, SHE ADDED, HAS ALWAYS HAD THE SYMPATHY OF
THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO."

4. NORTH KOREAN DELEGATE, MADAM ZONG SUK, VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE SUPREME POPULAR ASSEMBLY OF THE POPULAR REPUBLIC OF
KOREA, EXPRESSED PLEASURE OVER ADVANCES ACHIEVED BY THE PEOPLE
AND THE WOMEN OF MEXICO AND SAID HER DELEGATION WOULD SUPPORT
EFFORTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL MEETING. SHE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY KUM
GUK JUM, NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, WHO SAID: "WE ARE
VERY INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH
MEXICO, BECAUSE WE ALSO BELONG TO THE THIRD WORLD." THE
AMBASSADOR WAS UNCERTAIN WHETHER HE WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE
MEXICAN FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA DURING THE CONFERENCE.

4. COMMENT: MOST ARRIVING DELEGATES HAVE LITTLE TO SAY
OTHER THAN USUAL EXPRESSIONS OF HOPE FOR SUCCESSFUL
CONFERENCE AND GRATIFICATION OVER PRESENCE IN MEXICO. DELEGATES
CITED ABOVE OBVIOUSLY HAVE SPECIAL AXES TO GRIND. NORTH
KOREANS, DULY IMPRESSED BY MEXICANS' RECENT ESTABLISHMENT OF
RELATIONS WITH NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM, ARE PRESSING HARD TO
ACHIEVE BILATERAL OBJECTIVE, ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH
MEXICO. JOVA

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